GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Fund for Electricity Connection
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to provide any financial assistance for electricity connections to domestic households and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is also planning to finance distribution companies in States for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) : Government of India (GoI) through its scheme 'Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana' (DDUGJY), provides financial assistance for free connections to Below Poverty Line (BPL) households in the country at the rate of Rs.3000/- per connection.

(b) & (c) : GoI through its schemes like DDUGJY, Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS), National Electricity Fund (NEF) etc. supports States/DISCOMs for works like strengthening of sub-transmission system. In addition to this, States/DISCOMs also take loan from Financial Institutions like Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) Ltd. and Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Ltd. for distribution works.
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